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FOR DR. BRZEZINSKI NSC, HABIB AND ARA

E. O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, CI
SUBJECT: EX-PRESIDENT FREI'S COMPLAINT RE CIA CHARGES: LETTER
TO DR. BRZEZINSKI

REF: (A) SANTIAGO 1503 AND (B) SANTIAGO 1464

1. SUMMARY: FOLLOWING UP ON HIS EARLIER LETTER TO ME, GOC EX-PRESIDENT EDUARDO FREI HAS WRITTEN DR. BRZEZINSKI REITERATING HIS REQUEST FOR A STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT CARTER WITH RESPECT TO THE ALLEGATIONS THAT HE (FREI) RECEIVED FUNDS FROM THE CIA. WE HOPE WE MAY HAVE PROMPT GUIDANCE FROM THE DEPARTMENT, SO THAT WE CAN DISPOSE OF THIS MATTER. END SUMMARY.

2. I HAVE RECEIVED A LETTER FROM EX-PRESIDENT EDUARDO FREI DATED FEBRUARY 25, ADDRESSED TO DR. BRZEZINSKI AND ENCLOSING A TEXT OF FREI'S FEBRUARY 21 LETTER TO ME (REF B) AND THE TEXT OF FREI'S PUBLISHED STATEMENT OF PROTEST (MENTIONED IN SANTIAGO 1471) OVER ALLEGATIONS THAT HE RECEIVED FUNDS FROM THE CIA.

3. IN A COVERING LETTER TO ME, FREI STATES THAT SINCE HE HAS NO OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION WITH DR. BRZEZINSKI, HE WOULD APPRECIATE MY TRANSMITTING THE LETTER TO HIM.

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4. UNOFFICIAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER FOLLOWS.

5. QUOTE: DEAR MR. BRZEZINSKI: I AM SORRY TO DISTURB YOU. I WOULD ASK YOU TO READ THE TEXT OF THE ENCLOSED COMMUNICATION WHICH I HAVE SENT THROUGH THE AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES (BEGIN BRACKETS) FREI'S LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT (END BRACKETS).

6. QUOTE: THE NEWS REFERRING TO ME HAS BEEN FURTHER DISSEMINATED IN THE PRINCIPAL NEWSPAPERS OF EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA. IT AFFECTS MY HONOR AND MY GOOD NAME.

7. QUOTE: THE AMERICAN SENATE INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE EXPRESSLY DECLARED THAT I HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF THE ORIGIN OF THE AID WHICH REACHED VARIOUS CHILEAN AGENCIES VIA OTHER CHANNELS, NO OF ITS AMOUNT. OF COURSE I NEVER RECEIVED A SINGLE SENT.

8. QUOTE: TO THIS I MAY ADD THAT, IN SENDING LETTERS TO OTHER PERSONS AND NOT REPLYING TO MIN (BEGIN BRACKETS) PRESUMABLY A REFERENCE TO THE PRESIDENT'S RESPONSES TO OTHER POLITICAL LEADERS ACCUSED OF RECEIVING CIA FUNDS (END BRACKETS) THE SITUATION IS THE MORE SERIOUS, ESPECIALLY SINCE -- LIVING IN A COUNTRY WITHOUT FREEDOM OF THE PRESS -- I AM A VICTIM OF HOSTILE CAMPAIGNS.

9. QUOTE: TODAY I HOLD NO OFFICIAL POST. I AM A COMMON CITIZEN. FOR THIS VERY REASON, IN ACCORDANCE WITH WHAT I HAVE HEARD AND KNOWN OF PRESIDENT CARTER, I DESERVE AS MUCH RESPECT AS THOSE WHO TODAY DO HOLD SUCH POSTS.

10. QUOTE: AGAIN, PLEASE PARDON ME FOR INCONVENIENCING YOU. UNQUOTE. COMPLEMENTARY CLOSE.

11. I HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED FREI'S LETTER AND REPEATED THAT I WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH HIM AS SOON AS I CAN. I RECOGNIZE THE DIFFICULTIES INVOLVED, BUT WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF DEPARTMENT WOULD DO WHAT IT CONFIDENTIAL

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